GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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ARECANUT IMPORTS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether import restriction on arecanut has been lifted; and

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details regarding import of arecanut from various countries during the last two years, country-wise and year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) & (b): No, Madam. There has been no change in the policy for import for arecanut since 4th June, 2008. The import of arecanut is free subject to a floor price of Rs. 35/- per kilogram imposed since 4th June, 2008.

(c): The details regarding import of arecanut from various countries during the last two years is as under:

S.No.	Country	2008-2009		2009-2010	
		QTY(KGS)	VAL(INR)	QTY(KGS)	VAL(INR)
1.	Kenya	15680	581991		
2.	Tanzania Rep	18000	277422	17836	267304
3.	Bangladesh	5606854	153706917	6332586	209164747
4.	Indonesia	28802223	599939066	23232175	416018209
5.	Malaysia	100000	1710316	88000	1246224
6.	Myanmar	208000	5211445	2207000	81357596
7.	Nepal	2745200	98402921	4861500	157452104

8. Singapore 436000 5984135 211000 3012119

9. Sri Lanka 1414936 71659155 966576 44907673

10. Thailand 2450418 45544941 1610326 30647952

Total 41797311 983018309 39526999 944073928

(Source : DGCI&S, Kolkata)